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House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. GILCHREST).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
July 7, 2003.

I hereby appoint the Honorable WAYNE T. GILCHREST to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

As the Nation celebrated Independence Day this year, we thank You again, Lord, and we praise You still. You have blessed this land with abundance and hold us together in our diversity.

Let freedom continue to ring out from the Nation's capital as leaders in government turn to You in prayer and seek Your guidance in the days ahead. Strengthen and protect our military troops at home and abroad, for the gift of this Nation holds promise for peoples around the world.

May the songs of equal justice and religious truths heard this weekend at the Capitol Fourth concert on the Mall and from the Mormon Tabernacle Choir at Wolf Trap continue to sound across this Nation and stir America's soul in her desire to be "the land of the free and the home of the brave," now and forever.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the

last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. WOLF) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. WOLF led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Monahan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate agreed to the following resolution:

S. RES. 191

Whereas the Honorable J. Strom Thurmond conducted his life in an exemplary manner, an example to all of his fellow citizens;

Whereas the Honorable J. Strom Thurmond was a devoted husband, father, and most recently, grandfather;

Whereas the Honorable J. Strom Thurmond gave a great measure of his life to public service;

Whereas having abandoned the safety of high position, the Honorable J. Strom Thurmond served his country during World War II, fighting the greatest threat the world had thus far seen;

Whereas the Honorable J. Strom Thurmond served South Carolina in the United States Senate with devotion and distinction;

Whereas his service on behalf of South Carolina and all Americans earned him the esteem and high regard of his colleagues; and

Whereas his death has deprived his State and Nation of a most outstanding Senator: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of the Honorable J. Strom Thurmond, former Senator and President Pro Tempore Emeritus from the State of South Carolina.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns today, it stand adjourned as a further mark of respect to the memory of the Honorable J. Strom Thurmond.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed with an amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 1474. An act to facilitate check truncation by authorizing substitute checks, to foster innovation in the check collection system without mandating receipt of checks in electronic form, and to improve the overall efficiency of the Nation's payments system, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed a bill of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 148. An act to provide for the Secretary of Homeland Security to be included in the line of Presidential succession.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, June 27, 2003.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on June 27, 2003 at 12:49 p.m.

That the Senate passed without amendment H. Con. Res. 231.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

MARTHA C. MORRISON,
Deputy Clerk of the House.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, June 27, 2003.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on June 27, 2003 at 5:06 p.m.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2350.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2474.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

DANIEL STRODEL,
Assistant to the Clerk.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER
PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, Speaker pro tempore TOM DAVIS of Virginia signed the following enrolled bills on Monday, June 30, 2003:

H.R. 2350, to reauthorize the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families block grant program through fiscal year 2003, and for other purposes;

H.R. 2474, to authorize the Congressional Hunger Center to award Bill Emerson and Mickey Leland Hunger Fellowships for fiscal years 2003 and 2004.

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HOUR OF MEETING ON TOMORROW

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. tomorrow for morning hour debates.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia?

There was no objection.

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CORRECTION TO THE CONGRESSIONAL
RECORD OF THURSDAY,
JUNE 26, 2003, AT PAGE H6259

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ADJOURNMENT

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to.

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SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 148. An act to provide for the Secretary of Homeland Security to be included in the line of Presidential succession; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Mr. Trandahl, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled bills of

the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 2350. An act to reauthorize the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families block grant program through fiscal year 2003, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2474. An act to authorize the Congressional Hunger Center to award Bill Emerson and Mickey Leland Hunger Fellowships for fiscal years 2003 and 2004.

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BILLS PRESENTED TO THE
PRESIDENT

Jeff Trandahl, Clerk of the House reports that on June 30, 2003 he presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills.

H.R. 2350. To reauthorize the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families block grant program through fiscal year 2003, and for other purposes.

Jeff Trandahl, Clerk of the House reports that on July 2, 2003 he presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills.

H.R. 825. To redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7401 West 100th Place in Bridgeview, Illinois, as the "Michael J. Healy Post Office Building".

H.R. 917. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1830 South Lake Drive in Lexington, South Carolina, as the "Floyd Spence Post Office Building".

H.R. 925. To redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1859 South Ashland Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Cesar Chavez Post Office".

H.R. 981. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 141 Erie Street in Linesville, Pennsylvania, as the "James R. Merry Post Office".

H.R. 985. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 111 West Washington Street in Bowling Green, Ohio, as the "Delbert L. Latta Post Office Building".

H.R. 1055. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1901 West Evans Street in Florence, South Carolina, as the "Dr. Roswell N. Beck Post Office Building".

H.R. 2474. To authorize the Congressional Hunger Center to award Bill Emerson and Mickey Leland Hunger Fellowships for fiscal years 2003 and 2004.

Jeff Trandahl, Clerk of the House reports that on July 3, 2003 he presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills.

H.R. 1368. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7554 Pacific Avenue in Stockton, California, as the "Norman D. Shumway Post Office Building".

H.R. 1465. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4832 East Highway 27 in Iron Station, North Carolina, as the "General Charles Gabriel Post Office".

H.R. 1596. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2318 Woodson Road in St. Louis, Missouri, as the "Timothy Michael Gaffney Post Office Building".

H.R. 1609. To redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 201 West Boston Street in Brookfield, Missouri, as the "Admiral Donald Davis Post Office Building".

H.R. 1704. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1502 East Kiest Boulevard in Dallas, Texas, as the

"Dr. Caesar A.W. Clark, Sr. Post Office Building".

H.R. 2030. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 120 Baldwin Avenue in Paia, Maui, Hawaii, as the "Patsy Takemoto Mink Post Office Building".

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ADJOURNMENT

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 8 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, July 8, 2003, at 10:30 a.m., for morning hour debates.

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EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,
ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

2937. A letter from the transmitting a proposed emergency supplemental appropriations request totaling \$32.2 million for fiscal year 2003 to fund non-recurring expenses associated with new Article III judgeships and to pay for higher than anticipated Criminal Justice Act representations and juror days; to the Committee on Appropriations.

2938. A letter from the Principal Deputy Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a report entitled "Interim Report to Congress on Corrosion Matters in the Department of Defense" May 2003, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2228 (1067) (c) Public Law 107—314; to the Committee on Armed

2939. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's certification that the costs of Wedges 2 through 5, of the Pentagon Renovation will be within the specified limitation; to the Committee on Armed Services.

2940. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule — Open Competition and Government Neutrality Towards Government Contractors' Labor Relations on Federal and Federally Funded Construction Projects [Docket No. FR-4695-I-01] (RIN: 2501-AC98) received June 5, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

2941. A letter from the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting the thirteenth annual report on the Profitability of Credit Card Operations of Depository Institutions, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1637 note, Public Law 100—583, section 8 (102 Stat. 2969); to the Committee on Financial Services.

2942. A letter from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Rules of NCUA Board Procedure; Promulgation of NCUA Rules and Regulations; Public Observance of NCUA Board Meetings — received June 24, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

2943. A letter from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Involuntary Liquidation of Federal Credit Unions and Adjudication of Creditor Claims Involving Federally Insured Credit Unions in Liquidation — received June 24, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

2944. A letter from the Director, OSHA Standards and Guidance, Department of

Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Powered Industrial Trucks — received June 16, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

2945. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Medical Devices; Designation of Special Control for Eight Surgical Suture Devices [Docket No. 02N-0288] received June 24, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2946. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Public Information Regulations [Docket No. 99N-2637] received June 12, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2947. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Skin Protectant Drug Products for Over-the-Counter Human Use; Final Monograph [Docket Nos. 78N-0021 and 78N-021P] (RIN: 0910-AA01) received June 24, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2948. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's report entitled, "Fleet Alternative Fuel Vehicles Program Report for Fiscal Year 2002" April 30, 2003, pursuant to Public Law 105—388; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2949. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Event Notification Requirements (RIN: 3150-AG90) received June 12, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2950. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a 6-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Libya that was declared in Executive Order 12543 of January 7, 1986, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); (H. Doc. No. 108—88); to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed.

2951. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a 6-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction that was declared in Executive Order 12938 of November 14, 1994, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1703(c) and 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); (H. Doc. No. 108—92); to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed.

2952. A letter from the Deputy Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting the Department of the Defense's proposed lease of defense articles to the Government of Singapore (Transmittal No. 03-03), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

2953. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Iraqi Sanctions Regulations; Authorization of Certain New Transactions — received June 23, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

2954. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-106, "Fiscal Year 2004 Budget Support Act of 2003" received July 7, 2003, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1—233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

2955. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a

copy of D.C. ACT 15-101, "Dedication and Designation of Commodore Joshua Barney Drive, N.E., Fort Lincoln Drive, N.E., and Lincoln Drive North, N.E., Act of 2003" received July 7, 2003, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1—233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

2956. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-100, "Lead-Based Paint Abatement and Control Temporary Amendment Act of 2003" received July 7, 2003, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1—233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

2957. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 15-99, "Honoraria Temporary Amendment Act of 2003" received July 7, 2003, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1—233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

2958. A letter from the Senior Staff Attorney, Court of Appeals For the First Circuit, transmitting the opinion from Sunday Dixon Orekoya v. James Mooney, No. 02-1306 (1st Cir. May 15, 2003); to the Committee on Government Reform.

2959. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Branch, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Confidentiality of Commercial Information [CBP Decision 03-02] (RIN: 1515-AD29) received June 20, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

2960. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the semiannual report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 2003 through March 31, 2003, pursuant to Public Law 95—452, section 5(b) (102 Stat. 2526); to the Committee on Government Reform.

2961. A letter from the Director, Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Privacy Act of 1974; Implementation-Exemption of Police and Security Records (RIN: 2900-AL33) received June 12, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

2962. A letter from the Managing Director, Federal Home Loan Banks, transmitting the 2002 management reports of the 12 Federal Home Loan Banks (FHLBanks), Resolution Funding Corporation (REFCORP) and the Financing Corporation (FICO), pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9106; to the Committee on Government Reform.

2963. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting the Commission's semiannual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period October 31, 2002 to March 31, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 8G(h)(2); to the Committee on Government Reform.

2964. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Final notice of new Privacy Act system of records [Billing Code: 6750-01P] received June 23, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

2965. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — West Virginia Regulatory Program [WV-097-FOR] received June 24, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

2966. A letter from the Acting Assistant Administrator, Nation Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Announcement of Funding Opportunity to submit proposals for the South Florida Ecosystem Research and Monitoring Program (SFP) FY04 [Docket No. 000202024-3109-03 I.D. 030303B] (RIN: 0648-ZA79)

received June 20, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

2967. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the annual report on the Refugee Resettlement Program for FY 2001, pursuant to 8 U.S.C. 1523(a); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

2968. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Procedures for the Handling of Discrimination Complaints Under Section 806 of the Corporate and Criminal Fraud Accountability Act of 2002, Title VIII of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (RIN: 1218-AC10) received June 6, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

2969. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Licensing and Manning for Officers of Towing Vehicles [USCG 1999-6224] (RIN: 1625-AA15) received June 13, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2970. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Illinois Waterway, Beardstown, IL [CGD08-03-025] received June 13, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2971. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Ohio River Miles 466.8 to 470.5, Cincinnati, OH [COTP Louisville-02-011] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received May 15, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2972. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; 2002 West Palm Holiday Boat Parade, Intracoastal Waterway, West Palm Beach, FL [COTP Miami 02-136] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received May 15, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2973. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Winterfest Boat Parade Fireworks, Intracoastal Waterway, Ft. Lauderdale, FL [COTP Miami 02-140] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received May 15, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2974. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Black Warrior River, Walker County, AL [COTP Mobile-02-023] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received May 15, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2975. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Tchefuncte River, Mile Marker 1.0 to 3.0, Madisonville, Louisiana [COTP New Orleans-02-023] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received May 15, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2976. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; South

Shore, Lake Pontchartrain, New Orleans, LA [COTP New Orleans-02-024] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received May 15, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2977. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Ouachita River, Miles 165.0 to 168.0, Monroe, LA [COTP New Orleans-02-026] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received May 15, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2978. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Red River, Miles 87.0 to 90.0, Pineville, LA [COTP New Orleans-02-027] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received May 15, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2979. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Ohio River, Mile Marker 934.0 to 936.0, Paducah, Kentucky [COTP Paducah, KY 02-010] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received May 15, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2980. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Alleghany River Mile Marker 0.3 to Mile Marker 0.6, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania [COTP Pittsburgh-02-025] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received May 15, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2981. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Cooper River, Port of Charleston, South Carolina [COTP Charleston-02-142] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received May 15, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2982. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Navy Pier, Lake Michigan, Chicago Harbor, IL [CGD09-02-527] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received May 15, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2983. A letter from the Paralegal, FTA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Bus Testing [FTA Docket No. 98-B] (RIN: 2132-AA30) received June 9, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2984. A letter from the Paralegal, FTA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Buy America Requirements; Amendment to Certification Procedures [FTA Docket No. FTA-98-4454] (RIN: 2132-AA62) received June 9, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2985. A letter from the Acting Director, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Procedures for Transportation Workplace Drug and Alcohol Testing Programs [Docket OST-2003-15245] (RIN: 2105-AD26) received June 9, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2986. A letter from the Deputy Assistant General Counsel, Regulations and Enforcement, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enter-

prises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs [Docket OST-2000-7639 & OST-2000-7640] (RIN: 2105-AC89) received June 9, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2987. A letter from the Counsel for NIST, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Procedures for Implementation of the National Construction Safety Team Act [Docket No. 021224331-2331-01] (RIN: 0693-AB52) received June 17, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

2988. A letter from the Counsel for NIST, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Procedures for Implementation of the National Construction Safety Team Act [Docket No. 021224331-3093-03] (RIN: 0693-AB52) received June 17, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

2989. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — NASA Grant and Cooperative Agreement Handbook — Incremental Funding (RIN: 2700-AC53) received June 5, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

2990. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — NASA Grant and Cooperative Agreement Handbook—Unsolicited Proposals — received June 24, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

2991. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel, Small Business Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Small Business Size Standards; Forest Fire Suppression and Fuels Management Services (RIN: 3245-AE89) received June 24, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Small Business.

2992. A letter from the Director, Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Increase in Rates Payable Under the Montgomery GI Bill—Active Duty and Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance Program (RIN: 2900-AL17) received June 9, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

2993. A letter from the Director, Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Veterans Education: Additional Opportunity to Participate in the Montgomery GI Bill and Other Miscellaneous Issues (RIN: 2900-AK81) received June 9, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

2994. A letter from the Federal Register Certifying Officer, FMS, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Federal Government Participation in the Automated Clearing House (RIN: 1510-AA89) received June 12, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

2995. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Child Support Enforcement Program Federal Tax Refund Offset — received June 25, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2996. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department Store Inventory Price Indexes by Department Groups (Rev. Rul. 2003-68) received June 13, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2997. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Update of Rev. Proc. 96-30 (Rev. Proc. 2003-48) received June 24, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2998. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — 2003 Section 43 Inflation Adjustment (Notice 2003-43) received June 24, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2999. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — 2003 Marginal Production Rates (Notice 2003-44) received June 24, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3000. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Assumption of Partner Liabilities [TD 9062] (RIN: 1545-BB83) received June 24, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3001. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Guidance Regarding Election Under Section 953(d) (Rev. Proc. 2003-47) received June 24, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3002. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Determination of Issue Price in the Case of Certain Debt Instruments Issued for Property (Rev. Rul. 2003-71) received June 24, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3003. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Capital Allocation Ruling (Rev. Rul. 2003-75) received June 24, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3004. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting notification of a payment to the Czech Republic Government in the amount of \$0.930 million to reimburse it for military support provided to U.S. military operations in connection with the global war on terrorism (GWOT); jointly to the Committees on Armed Services and Appropriations.

3005. A letter from the Director, Financial Management and Assurance, General Accounting Office, transmitting a report entitled, "Financial Audit: Capitol Preservation Fund's Fiscal Years 2002 and 2001 Financial Statements," pursuant to 40 U.S.C. 188a-3; jointly to the Committees on House Administration and Government Reform.

3006. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification of changes to existing law required to bring the United States into Compliance with Obligations under the United States-Chile Free Trade Agreement, pursuant to Public Law 107-210, section 2105 (a)(1)(B); (H. Doc. No. 108-90); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and the Judiciary, and ordered to be printed.

3007. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification of changes to existing law required to bring the United States into Compliance with obligations under the United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement, pursuant to Public Law 107-210, section 2105 (a)(1)(B); (H. Doc. No. 108-89); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and the Judiciary, and ordered to be printed.

3008. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a report on progress made toward achieving benchmarks for a sustainable peace process in Bosnia and Herzegovina; (H. Doc. No. 108-91);

jointly to the Committees on International Relations, Armed Services, and Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

[The following action occurred on June 30, 2003]

Mr. HUNTER: Committee on Armed Services. H.R. 1950. A bill to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for the fiscal years 2004 and 2005, to authorize appropriations under the Arms Export Control Act and the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 for security assistance for fiscal years 2004 and 2005, and for other purposes; with amendments (Rept. 108-105 Pt. 3). Ordered to be printed.

Pursuant to the order of the House on June 26, 2003, the following report was filed on July 1, 2003:

Mr. KINGSTON: Committee on Appropriations. H.R. 2657. A bill making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes (Rept. 108-186). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

(Pursuant to section 6 of House Resolution 299 the following report was filed on July 2, 2003)

Mr. LEWIS of California: Committee on Appropriations. H.R. 2658. A bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes (Rept. 108-187). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

[The following actions occurred on June 27, 2003]

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII the Committee on Resources discharged from further consideration. H.R. 238 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII the following action was taken by the Speaker:

[The following actions occurred on June 27, 2003]

H.R. 1562. Referral to the Committee on Ways and Means extended for a period ending not later than July 11, 2003.

H.R. 2122. Referral to the Select Committee on Homeland Security extended for a period ending not later than July 8, 2003.

[The following action occurred on July 7, 2003]

H.R. 2330. Referral to the Committees on Ways and Means, Financial Services, and the Judiciary for a period ending not later than July 11, 2003.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII,

Mr. CRENSHAW introduced A bill (H.R. 2659) to require advance notification of Congress regarding any action proposed to be taken by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs in the implementation of the Capital Asset Realignment for Enhanced Services initiative of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

135. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Senate of the State of Louisiana, relative to Senate Resolution No. 57 memorializing the Congress of the United States that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana desires to clarify Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 18 of the 2003 Regular Session, enrolled on May 8, 2003, that the Louisiana Legislature only supports the testing of imported seafood by the Federal Food and Drug Administration within the boundaries of the United States; to the Committee on Agriculture.

136. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Louisiana, relative to Senate Resolution No. 108 memorializing the Congress of the United States to provide funding for the Louisiana University of Medical Sciences, Inc., College of Primary Care Medicine; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

137. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Hawaii, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 26, HD1, memorializing the United States Congress to educate and sensitize members of Congress on the unfortunate circumstances of the internment of civilians during World War II; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 122: Mr. REYES.

H.R. 125: Mrs. TAUSCHER.

H.R. 169: Mr. FOLEY.

H.R. 241: Mr. FOLEY.

H.R. 676: Mr. UDALL of New Mexico.

H.R. 779: Mr. WAXMAN.

H.R. 811: Mr. KILDEE and Mrs. CHRISTENSEN.

H.R. 873: Mr. HOEFFEL and Ms. ESHOO.

H.R. 941: Mr. CAPUANO.

H.R. 1068: Mr. ISSA, Mrs. MYRICK, and Mr. JANKLOW.

H.R. 1130: Mr. MARSHALL.

H.R. 1162: Mr. ETHERIDGE.

H.R. 1210: Mr. LEVIN, Ms. LEE, Mr. MATSUI, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio.

H.R. 1268: Mr. DAVIS of Alabama.

H.R. 1442: Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. BERMAN, and Mr. FOLEY.

H.R. 1533: Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. PAUL, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. HAYWORTH, and Mr. SHIMKUS.

H.R. 1589: Mr. SKELTON.

H.R. 1633: Mr. CASE, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. FROST, Mr. EMANUEL, and Mr. CONYERS.

H.R. 1865: Mr. CLAY.

H.R. 1943: Mr. NORWOOD.

H.R. 2156: Ms. KAPTUR.

H.R. 2193: Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. ACEVEDO-VILA, and Ms. ESHOO.

H.R. 2198: Mr. UDALL of Colorado.

H.R. 2336: Mr. UPTON.

H.R. 2337: Mr. ENGLISH and Mrs. CHRISTENSEN.

H.R. 2409: Mr. DAVIS of Alabama.

H.R. 2432: Mr. SCHROCK.

H.R. 2475: Mr. JANKLOW.

H.R. 2494: Mr. CONYERS and Mr. OTTER.

H.R. 2524: Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California and Mr. NADLER.

H.R. 2569: Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. EMANUEL, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. FROST, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. HALL, Mr. BACA, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. CARSON of Oklahoma, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. OLVER, and Mr. GUTIERREZ.

H.R. 2627: Mr. CANNON.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 3 of rule XII,

21. The SPEAKER presented a petition of Kenai Peninsula Borough, Alaska, relative to Resolution No. 2003-043 petitioning the United States Congress to establish Kenai Peninsula Borough Policy in Defense of the Bill of Rights with respect to Federal Anti-Terrorism Acts, Legislation, and Orders; to the Committee on the Judiciary.